

CINCINNATI TELEGRAPH.

BY TELEGRAPH.

Tuesday, February 1, 1870.

The Franklin Telegraph.

There are now 1,000,000 of us in the country in favor of the abolition of the franking privilege. The Post Master General strongly recommends it in his annual report. Petitions are being sent to Congress from Maine to California, urging the repeal. These we think the members of Congress would be very apt to pass with the privilege will be surprised to see how unanimously they sustain this reform in the House on Thursday last, 174 for and 14 against the repeal. Among these two negative votes were two Pennsylvania Democratic members, Messrs. Haldeman and Woodward. George Wood, of New York, also voted in the negative. The Republicans, who had nearly all voted in the affirmative, abstained from the remarks made in the Senate, though a week ago Friday, when the different members offered petitions on the subject, the House bill will pass the Senate. Mr. Morrill, of Vermont, said he should vote for the repeal, but did not think there would be much saving of money from the repeal. Mr. Morrill said:

"All that can be said by any possibility will be in the induction of contracts for carrying the mail. The bills will have to be carried whether the franking privilege is abolished or not. The bill is not aimed to if the franking privilege is abolished and the Government will not be compelled to transport documents out of one pocket and has it credited to another. There will not be anything saved. If there shall be anything saved it will be under the proposition of the chairman of the Committee on Printing, to reduce the number of documents printed. I am heartily in favor of that, although I think there is less abuse in relation to the printing of documents now than in any former year. I think it would be well if we could adopt the French and English system of printing and selling the documents at cost. Take for instance, the bill that is now demanded through the whole country, the report of the Department of Agriculture, and let the people have it broadcast by paying twenty-five cents, as I understand it could be printed for about that sum, and there would be a larger number circulated and the people would be better satisfied. Senators cannot send one of these documents, on an average, to each town in their respective States; and, therefore, they send twenty other citizens, bishops and indigent that they have not received them; but if we place them all upon equality and do so, that they could have such documents as this at the next cost, unquestionably they would be demanded and paid for, and the Government would be relieved of that responsibility."

The remarks of Mr. Wilson indicate that the members look upon it as a bore and nuisance to write their autographs on tons of public documents. Mr. W. said:

"I think we ought to be grateful to the Post Office Department for its action, and I am. I think the abolition of the franking privilege will be a great sum to the Government, but not \$5,000,000 or \$1,000,000. I do not think the Department has dared or intend to carry the impression that it is the duty of the Government to do this. I think that members of Congress have done the country a great service in this matter, but there is no mistaking one fact, that our frankers are about all over the country, hundreds of thousands of documents are franked by forgers. I wish simply to say that I think it is not worth while to criticize the Post Office Department for trying to correct an evil.

There is another thing about it. I want to get rid of it. Instead of it being a privilege it is a burden. It has cost all of us five dollars where we have been benefited one dollar. About that there is no doubt. The amount of labor and toll that it imposes upon us is almost unendurable; and especially was it so, as you remember, sir, during the war. I know members here that for some regiments stationed in the Army at or near this place thirty or forty thousand letters for a regiment, including men, women, and children. It is impossible to get rid of it. And the soldiers I would be rid of it; and then I want another thing done. I want the bill introduced by the Senator from Illinois (Mr. Trumbull) relative to recommendations to office passed; and when both these reforms are accomplished, I think there will be some probability that we shall be in a position to stand to our proper business here. The truth is that these seats are very much like the seats in a hotel occupied by the waiters. When the bell rings they go. We are called in the same manner to do drudgery for the benefit of the country, and then we are daily reproached about it. I want to get rid of this kind of drudgery, that we may attend to our proper business here for a few months, at any rate, before we go out."

But there are thirty thousand men who enjoy the franking privilege and probably there is no privilege more grossly abused in the way of forgeries. We hope the bill is a sweeping one, and that it will pass the Senate. It is not likely to bring a vote from the President. When the members have to pay postage on public documents, there will be a good deal less public printing than at present, and that is confessedly one of the worst looks in the public service. Who reads public documents, unless it be a patent report or an agricultural report, and how few of the farming or mechanical class read them? Let those who can afford them pay for them. Let no one, from the least to the greatest, have the franking privilege, but the public functionaries be indemnified for all disbursements for postage made in official business, and sworn to as such. The Post Office Department will then be not only self-sustaining but *commoderative* in a high degree."

The Fifteenth Amendment Nearly Ratified.

Our record of ratifications of the fifteen amendment is as follows:

Missouri—March 27, 1869 (corrected).
Kansas—February 27, (corrected).
North Carolina—March 5.
Massachusetts—March 9—12.
Wisconsin—March 9.
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Maine—March 12.
Louisiana—March 5.
Michigan—March 8.
South Carolina—March 16.
Pennsylvania—March 20.
Arkansas—March 30.
Connecticut—March 19.
Florida—June 15.
Illinois—March 5.
Indiana—March 14.
New York—March 17—April 14.
New Hampshire—July 7.
Nevada—March 1.
Vermont—October 21.
Virginia—October 8.
Alabama—November 16.
Minnesota—January 14, 1870.
Mississippi—January 14.
Rhode Island—January 18.
Ohio—January 14—20.
Iowa—January 19—20.

List of States which have rejected the amendment:

Delaware—March 18, 1869.
Kentucky—March 30.
Tennessee.

The States which have not yet voted are California, Maryland, Texas, Nebraska, New Jersey, Oregon, Georgia.

Ratifications, 27; whole number of States, 37; number of States required, 39; number necessary at the present date to complete the ratification, 1.

We print the exact words of the fifteenth amendment:

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Attempted Bank Robbery.

ALBANY, Jan. 31.

An attempt was made to rob the National Bank at Corning yesterday morning, but failed.

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Harper's Weekly.

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Titusville Morning Herald.

Tuesday, February 1, 1870.

New Advertisements To-Day.

Corinthian Hall—One

Removal of Store—Simon Strouse

Removal of Justice's Office—Simon Strouse.

Hotel for Sale—Titusville—R. D. Fletcher, S. M.

U. S. Internal Revenue—J. T. Chase.

The New County Bill Passes the
Senate by Three Majority.

HARRISBURG, Jan. 31.

To the Titusville Herald:

New County bill passed the Senate finally.

Vote sixteen to thirteen against.

GEO. K. ANDERSON.

ANOTHER DISPATCH.

HARRISBURG, Jan. 21

Petcher, Higge, Williams & Co., Commercial Club Room:

Now County bill passed Senate by three majority.

GEO. K. ANDERSON

We learn that Baby Hugo's Pinafore and Lollipop Brigade are on their way home to Franklin.

Dr. HAYES lectures this evening in the Universalist church to-night.

READ the letter of citizens of Warren county to Hon. M. B. Lowry, in favor of the New County.

It is said a new town is to be laid out near Bear creek to be called with the classical taste of the oil region, "Ramtown."

On our first pgo-to-day will be found the speech of Hon. M. B. Lowry, on the New County bill in the State Senate, Jan. 28th. It merits the careful perusal of every citizen of Crawford county.

ACCIDENT ON THE STORY FARM.—Yesterday about one o'clock, a man named John Newcomer, who has been in the employ of the Columbus Oil Company for the past six years, fell from the top of an iron tank to the ground, a distance of twenty feet, and was seriously injured.

REAL ESTATE CHANGES.—J. H. Brooks, lot 120-180, S. W. corner Spring and Perry streets, to T. H. Gibbs and J. T. Ruwall; price, \$10,000.

J. H. Brooks, lot 90x120, Franklin street, north of Main street, west side, to J. H. Brooks, Jr., for \$4,600.

The Branch Council, of Warren, is about to buy a steam fire engine—Exchange.

Witten County made a sad mistake in sending their Great Squirt to Harrisburg this winter. He would have done better service at home than in attempting to put out the New County fire in the State Senate.

Our second Annual Petroleum Report is now printed in a neat circular and ready for distribution. Price, single copies 25 cents, per dozen \$2.00. This Report, we confidently believe, embodies more reliable and complete statistics of the Petroleum business of 1869 than can be obtained from any other source.

WE ARE GLAD to learn that the County Auditors of Venango are investigating the alleged fraudulent transactions of the Venango County Commissioners. Let them ascertain just how much money the Commissioners have wrongfully appropriated. The taxpayers on Oil Creek do not intend that their funds shall be squandered in a useless crusade against the new county.

MILE ZOE AND HER NEW YORK COMPANY.—A very large and brilliant audience greeted the talented artist Mille Zoe and her company last evening. The "French Spy" was thrillingly rendered, and "Sarah's Young Man" was amusing in the extreme. Tonight Zoe appears in a piece written expressly for her—"Nita, or Woman's Constancy"—full of striking passages: "Smith and Brown" winds up the evening's entertainment. Zoe's company embraces a good deal of first-rate dramatic talent.

DR. HAYES LECTURE TO-NIGHT.—One of the best lectures of the course last year was that of Dr. Hayes, the Arctic explorer. This evening he will entertain our citizens with fresh descriptions of that strange climate, which he was led to visit last summer. Dr. Hayes is one of the most agreeable of speakers, and he is sure to draw an intelligent and appreciative audience. The Y. M. C. A. have secured the Universalist church, corner of Spring and Perry streets, for Dr. Hayes' lecture. See special advertisement.

ASSAULT AND BURGLARY AT OIL CITY.—Saturday evening at a late hour, as a passenger on the down train, whose name we are unable to learn, was crossing the wire bridge over Oil Creek at that point; he was met by three suspicious looking characters, who attacked him, and after a severe struggle succeeded in throwing him down and robbed him of a gold watch and thirty dollars in money. The ruffian then attempted to throw him into the creek, but his efforts attracted the attention of the toll gate keeper on the bridge, who coming to his assistance, caused the assailants to take to flight. The police are engaged in working the case up, with what success remains to be seen.

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Letter from Citizens of Warren County to Senator Bowery.

Erie, Pa., Feb. 1, 1870.

HON. M. B. LOWRY.—Sir: We cannot fully express our feelings of gratification at the prospect of the passage of the law creating a new county out of parts of Crawford, Venango and Warren counties, to be called Petroleum.

The inconvenience we have suffered for many years while this part of the country was sparsely settled, and the population within the bounds of the proposed new county scarcely able to bear the expense of a new organization, we bear with patience; but now, when we have within the bounds proposed for the new county a population estimated at twenty-five thousand souls, and none, or but few, within fifteen miles of their respective county seats, and most of the said population over twenty-five miles distant, it seems to be unreasonable that such a condition of things should longer exist. That such a dense and rapidly increasing and enterprising population should be deprived of benefits and privileges that belong to all the loyal citizens of the Commonwealth; is unreasonable to presume.

We have now within our midst and convenient to all a large populous, wealthy, and convenient political and geographical centre, at which point it would be convenient for all the inhabitants to attend to their legal business, and thereby save annually to the inhabitants more than fifty thousand dollars in the transaction of their legal business. We hope you will be able to lay our just claims before the Legislature in such a manner that they will be able to understand our true condition, and willing to grant us what justly and reasonably belongs to us.

[Signed] D. H. MITCHELL, B. D. BENSON, S. S. BENEDICT, W. B. BENEDICT, R. E. HOPKINS, W. J. BOOTH.

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TRIBUTE TO SETH TREW OF THE CROSS GATE R. R.—On Thursday evening last a pleasant affair transpired at Mayville. A correspondent says the occasion was the presentation of a magnificent gold watch and chain, of the value of \$500, to the former very able and efficient Superintendent of the B. C. & I. R. R., A. R. Trew, Esq., who recently resigned a connection with the road which he has held since the first commencement of it, to the present time, and now assumes the important position of Chief Engineer of a road in process of construction. Mr. Trew has won the love of friends among the citizens along the road, as well as among those closely connected with the management of the road. In fact, all regret his departure. A fine hop at the Hotel of the Chautauqua House, known how to serve, rendered the occasion a splendid affair. The presentation was made by a gentleman from Corry, and replied to by Mr. Trew, who paid a handsome tribute to the employees of the road—those who had been so long connected with him, and expressed his sincere regret at leaving (as he expressed it) the beautiful town of the "Chautauqua Hills."

THE PETROLEUM IN THE CAUCASUS.—One of the most remarkable deposits of petroleum known, exists in the region of the Caucasus. On the east coast of the Caspian Sea there are no less than twenty thousand petroleum wells. Although they have been known for generations, it is only within the last few years that they have been worked upon a large scale. They are generally of a slight depth, and are frequently found beside each other. A new source was recently discovered beside an old one which for centuries has daily produced thirty-four hundred pounds of petroleum, and which is not in the slightest degree affected by the vicinity of the new source, which daily produces forty thousand pounds. The American system has lately been applied to them; the sources rising from a depth of two hundred and fifty feet, frequently overflow their offices and ascend fifty to sixty-five feet. It is calculated that the district of the Caucasus yields annually nineteen million pounds of petroleum, and two hundred thousand pounds of paraffine of asphalt.

CUNO, Licenses Granted in Venango County.

The following is a list of licenses granted at the recent term of Court at Franklin:

J. Y. Siggars, restaurant, near Pleasantville, Albert Piroo, restaurant, Pleasantville.

Wm. S. Gugel, hotel, McMillan Farm, Thos. Alles, wholesale, Franklin.

James Royle, hotel, President township.

R. T. Scott, eating house, Franklin.

Geo. Turner, hotel, Franklin.

Cortelyon & Voucher, restaurant, Petroleum Centre.

M. J. McKey, restaurant, Roosevelt.

Wm. Murkin, hotel, Cranberry township.

J. H. Leinbauer, restaurant, Petroleum Centre.

S. Draper, hotel, Pleasantville.

F. B. McDonald, hotel, Pleasantville.

T. H. Wallenburgh, hotel, McClellandville.

Joseph Weller, wholesale, Emlenton.

Mrs. Anna M. Castle, restaurant, Shamburgh.

W. P. Gibbs, wholesale, Pleasantville.

John R. Nell, hotel, Allegheny township.

M. L. Fourny, restaurant, Cherry Tree township.

John F. Tarr, hotel, Petroleum Centre.

Arthur C. Douglass, hotel, Oil Creek township.

Lewis Bier, wholesale, Oil City.

N. R. Griffith, wholesale, Oil City.

Lois Foster, hotel, Franklin.

Thompson & Martin, restaurant, Franklin.

J. F. Richards, hotel, Oil City.

John Pifer, hotel, Oil City.

Charles H. Johnston, hotel, Pithole City.

NEW CARS.

The Pittsburgh Chronicle says: Yesterday there were two new and elegant passenger coaches and a new mail car placed on the Allegheny Valley Railroad. They are from the works of Jackson & Sharpe, located at Wilmington, Delaware, and their superior workmanship and artistic finish reflect credit on their builders. The noteworthy and novel features about these cars are the trussed platform coupling. These improvements prevent telescoping and oscillation of trains, and injury to mail coupling cars, and are calculated to promote the safety and comfort of passengers. Outside the cars are handsomely painted, and inside are elegantly finished in Walnut and oak. The passenger coaches cost the sum of \$3,000 each, and the mail car something over \$2,500. These cars will take the place of those formerly used on the Brady's Bend accommodation train, and a full test will be made of the automatic coupling. It is now in use on forty-three railroads in the United States, but these are the first cars with the patent introduced in this city. On each car there is a buffer capable of fifteen thousand pounds. Beneath the buffer is the coupling, consisting of a cast iron bar or several bars, shaped so that when the cars come together the two will draw in. The buffers strike first when the cars come together, and the coupling does not. A reverse lever on the platform is used for uncoupling the cars. It has been found to work well on curves. About the beginning of February the company design placing two new sleeping coaches on the road.

THE WRONG BILL.—The Petroleum Centre

Publication gives what it supposes to be the New County bill now before the Senate. This was the bill originally introduced, but it has given place to another, differing in name not only, but in boundaries, conditions, etc. We shall publish the bill soon.

G. B. DELAWARE, Esq., of Meadville, has

donated \$1,500 to the First District Public

Schools, of that city, which is to be invested

annually in valuable books for the schools.

He also donated a complete edition of Appleton's New American Cyclopaedia, with the annual—20 volumes in all.

THE MEADVILLE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION held their

annual election for officers last week, and com-

plimented "the press" by selecting R. Lyle

White of the Republican for President, and C.

W. Tyler of the Journal for Vice President.

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The Oil Blowers, by a Friend.

We give yesterday some portions of an interesting letter addressed to the Pittsburgh Eagle from Titusville, written probably by Mr. Houston, one of the editors of that paper, and who recently visited this region. We make the following additional extracts:

FARER'S LANDING.

This place of six wicker, big wells, gin

mills, graving hole and flat bottom is richly

deserving recognition as the modern Sodom

and is equally ripe for destruction. Crowded

into very narrow confines is gathered a population

large enough for a small city, and

so much of such character as would do credit to

some Five Points of civilization. All, however,

must not be judged by the majority, for sand-

wiched between the rougher elements are found

many a very worthy and respectable

people, some of them residents previous

to the oil excitement, and others drawn thither

to seek their fortunes in the prolific bowels of the earth in that particular locality. Parker's Landing is, perhaps, the best producing region in the State, and presents the singular record that nine wells out of every ten that have been put

into the ground are yielding and paying investments.

So much cannot be said in relation to any

other region. The town is being enlarged

almost daily by fresh developments. An experienced operator assumed that if some pet

theory of his was the correct one, and the

same spirit of exploration prevails for a year

more to come that has marked the past twelve

months in the region of Parker's Landing, a vast

expansion of new territory now hardly

thought of, will be added to the Pennsylvania oil region.

OIL CITY.

Oil City is a peculiar place. Its muddy

streets, dingy looking stores, castles in the air

thrown up in the shape of elegant residences

on the sides of surrounding hills which reach

Titusville Morning Herald.

TITUSVILLE, PA.

The Philadelphia Age relates that when President Andrew Jackson was told that Parson Randolph, who was dismissed from the navy for desertion, had been released, he said, "I assault upon him, and have advised his release, greatly regret it, and have ordered his release. If I had been a soldier, I would have done the same." The Philadelphia Age adds, "I do not want the aid of the law to protect me to redress my wrongs. My dear mother, God bless her, when I was a boy, gave me this piece of advice: 'Never to sue for a slender injury for assault and battery, or, perhaps, a personal assault to govern him in the spot,' and God knows I have most religiously adhered to it throughout my life, and, I am a long-stemmed white clay pipe which he had been smoking, on the marble piece, by which he was erectly standing, he broke it into atoms."

The New York Home Journal officially announces that now matrimonial engagements in high life. Among others there is Franco Brancaccio, of Naples, to Alice Field, of New York; of Count Bogenberger, president of a collateral branch of the family of the famous Beatrix of Austria, to Miss Minnie Spencer, of New York; and Baron Berthold de Fernow, an old Swedish family settled in Poland, to Miss Marilda, Elsie, a western lady. Friends of all that it would appear that our fair American young ladies are exerting a spell over our foreign visitors.

Kossuth is so poor that he has to live principally on bread and water.

Young Bennett, of the New York Herald, wears a full-bladed gray "Arabian" George. Walks with a bow. Some more are coming.

The last of the series of dinners in honor of Prince Albert was given at Washington last evening, at the British legation, at which was present Senator Schurz, Williams, and Anthony, George Banks, and the Belgian, Argentine, Peruvian, Danish, Spanish, Brasiliand, and Netherlands Ministers.

Christopher Columbus Langford, a lawyer in New York, has been appointed Dean Professor of Law in the Harvard Law School. He is a graduate of the institution.

Mr. Barnes, the late Superintendent of Insurance, organized the Department, and has presided over it since 1859. He now returns to the practice of the law, chiefly in connection with insurance, and will reside in the city of New York. He is a son-in-law of Thurio Weed.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

Oil Lands, Oil Wells, Interests in Oil Wells and Farms; Houses and lots in the city of Titusville for sale. All the latest Maps of the Oil Region kept in the office of **George J. Sherman**, No. 3 Fletcher Block, for the benefit of parties desiring information.

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Mail Trains leave Philadelphia 9:35 A. M.

" " " " " Corry 6:30 P. M.

" " " " " Arr. at Philadelphia 11:10 A. M.

Erie Express leaves Philadelphia 11:10 A. M.

" " " " " Corry 8:10 A. M.

Accommodation leaves Philadelphia 10:15 A. M.

" " " " " Arr. at Erie 3:35 P. M.

Mail train leaves Erie 4:45 P. M.

" " " " " Arr. at Philadelphia 10:30 A. M.

Erie Express leaves Erie 4:40 P. M.

" " " " " Corry 8:15 P. M.

Accommodation leaves Erie 10:25 A. M.

" " " " " Arrives at Corry 1:10 P. M.

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